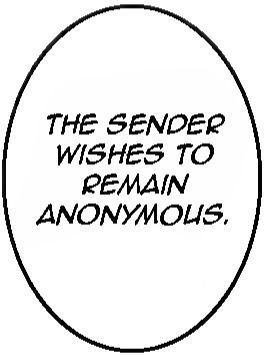
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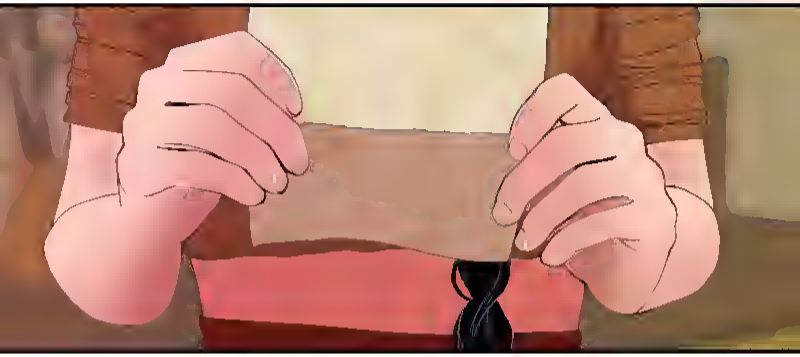
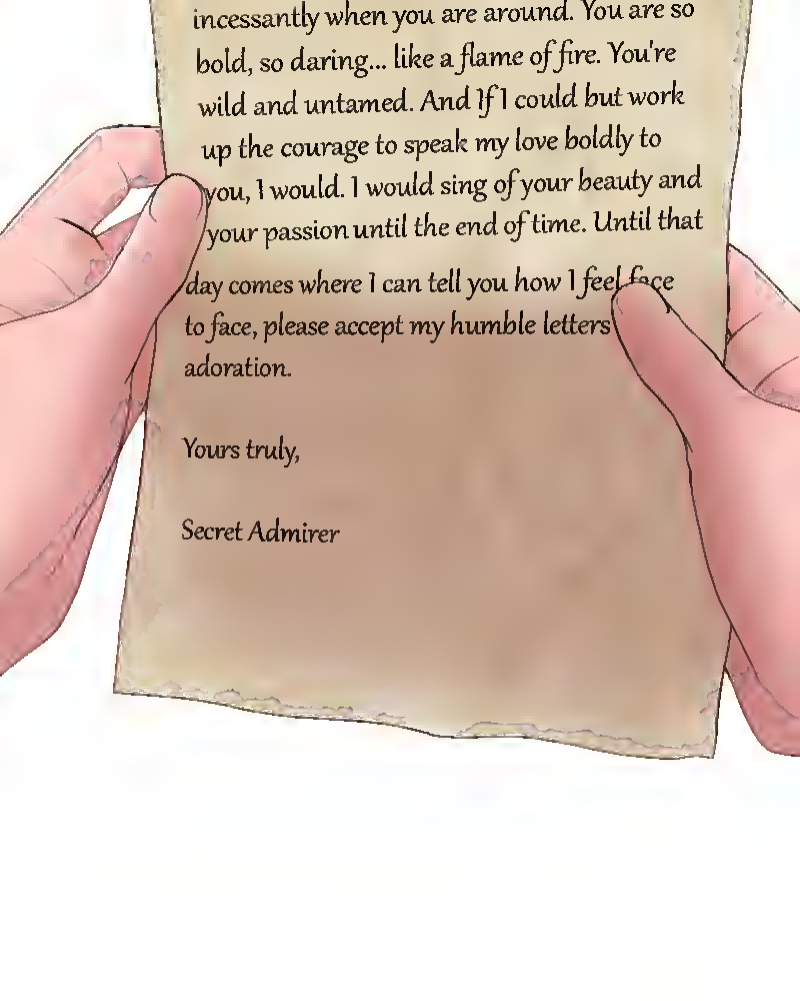


Dearest Kihara Mei,

I hope you will forgive my secrecy, but it is my heart that keeps me at bay, for it beats

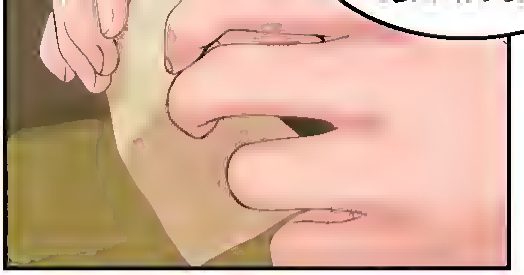

incessantly when you are around. You are so bold, so daring... like a flame of fire. You're wild and untamed. And If I could but work up the courage to speak my love boldly to you, I would. I would sing of your beauty and your passion until the end of time. Until that day comes where I can tell you how I feel face to face, please accept my humble letters adoration.
Yours truly,
Secret Admirer

HAHA
HAHA
WHAT A LAME LETTER! THIS GUY'S A LOSER.

DAICHI, DON'T BE RUDE.

...UM...

PLEASE TELL MY SECRET ADMIRER THAT I... APPRECIATE HIS LETTER... VERY MUCH...



I WILL RELAY THAT TO HIM, MISS KIHARA. HAVE A GOOD EVENING.

NOW... WHO COULD'VE WRITTEN THIS...?

THE LIEUTENANT ?

YUUTA?

NO... NEITHER ONE OF THEM WOULD WRITE LIKE THIS.
...IT'S TOO EMBARRASSING ...

...AND I ALREADY KNOW WHAT THE KING'S HANDWRITING LOOKS LIKE, AND I CAN TELL THAT IT'S DEFINITELY NOT HIM.

I CAN ONLY HOPE THIS GUY LOSES INTEREST IN ME SOON, THOUGH. I'D HATE TO HURT HIS FEELINGS.

HOW ARE YOU FEELING? DOING BETTER THIS WEEK?

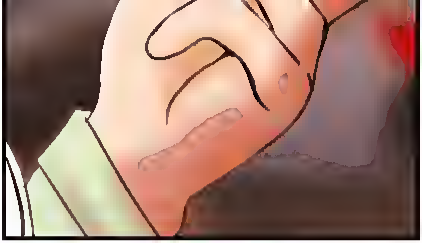
SLEEP.

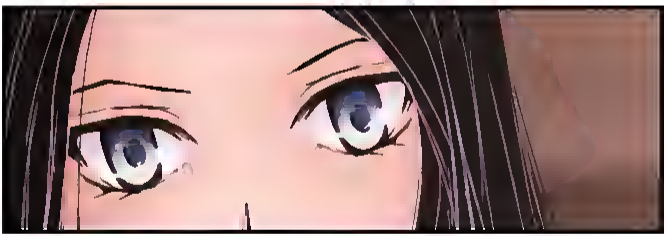
HM... I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT...

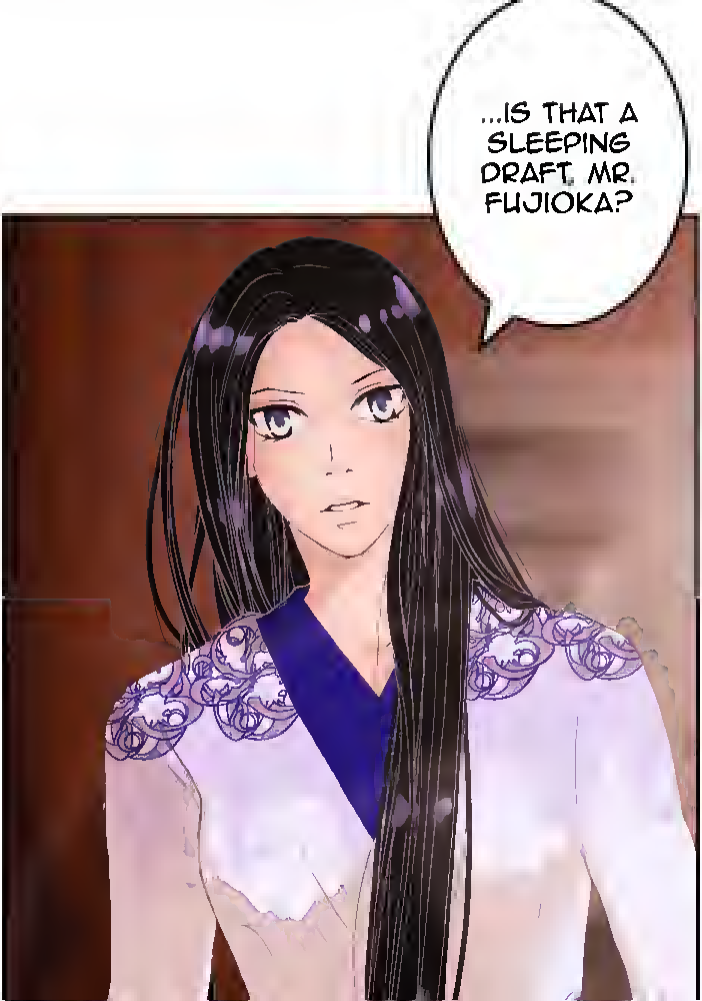
I'VE HAD YOU ON THIS MEDICINE FOR WEEKS. IT SHOULD'VE WORKED FOR YOU BY NOW.

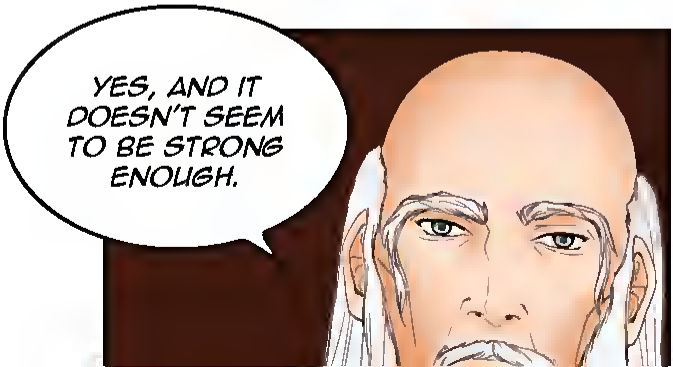
YOU SHOULD BE SLEEPING LIKE A BABY EVERY NIGHT.

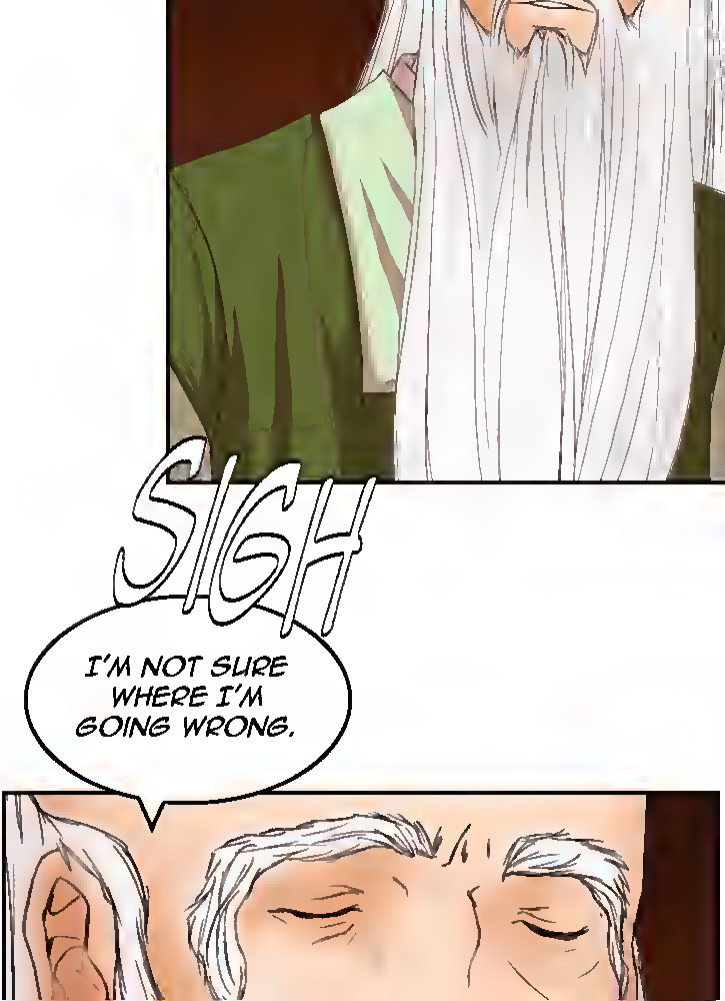
PERHAPS I SHOULD INCREASE THE CHAMMOMILE...

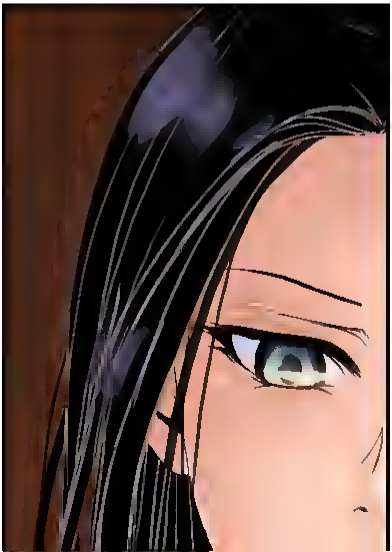


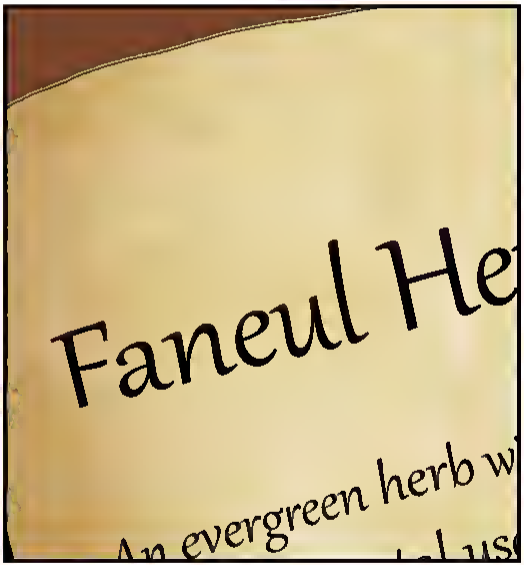



...IS THAT A SLEEPING DRAFT, MR. FUJIOKA?


YES, AND IT DOESN'T SEEM TO BE STRONG ENOUGH.


SIGH
I'M NOT SURE WHERE I'M GOING WRONG.

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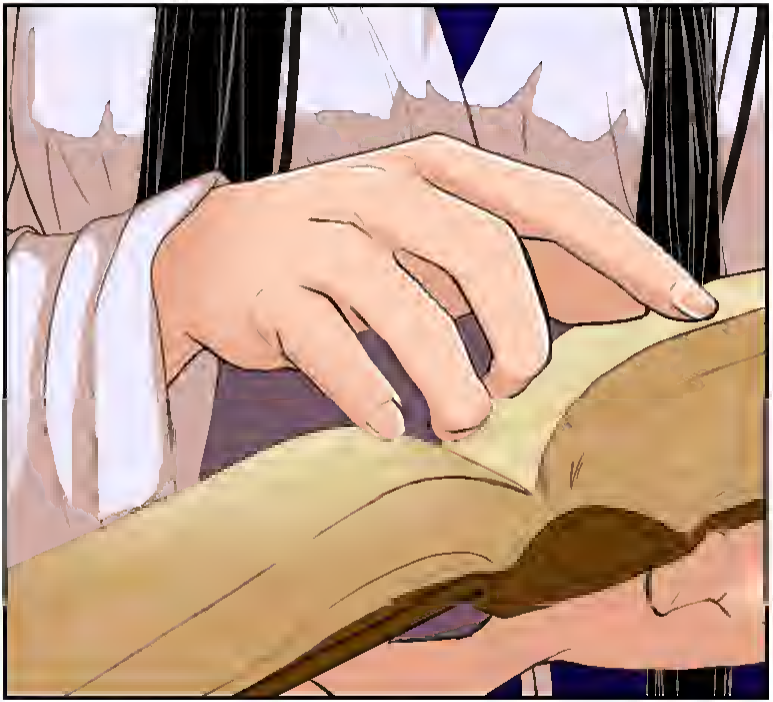
An evergreen herb w



THIS MEDICINE...

IT'S A MIXTURE OF CHAMMOMILE, DAERIC ROOT, AND HINSUN TEA, RIGHT?

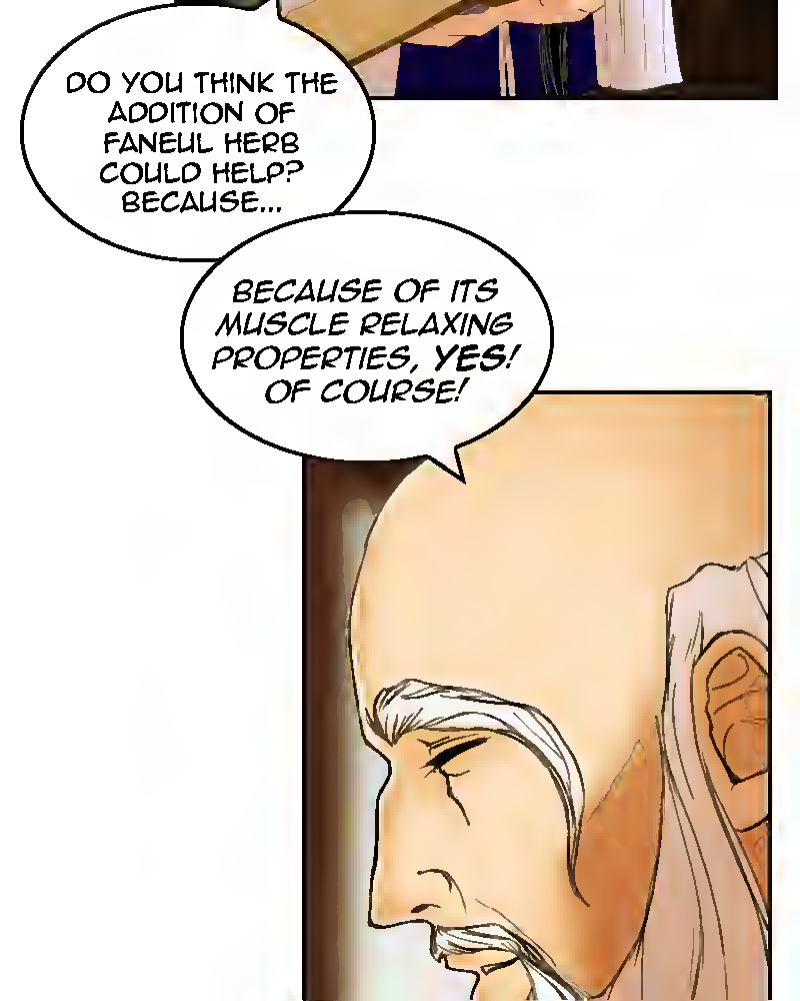
Faneul Herb

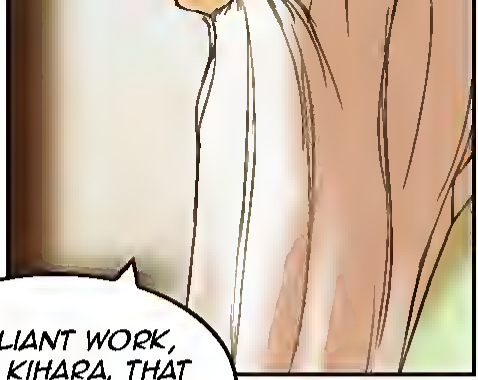
An evergreen herb with culinary, medicinal, and ornamental uses. The most common variety is Phamus fulharis. Faneul is a relative of the pareshano genus Pareshaa. It is commonly used for muscle relaxation, but if used in small quantities, can be a sweetener substitute.

Faneul is best cultivated in a hot, sunny location with well-drained soil. It is generally planted in the spring, and thereafter grows as a perennial. It can be propagated by seed, cuttings, or dividing rooted sections of the plant. It tolerates drought and deep freezes well.

YES,
YOU'VE BEEN
STUDYING.
THAT IS
CORRECT.

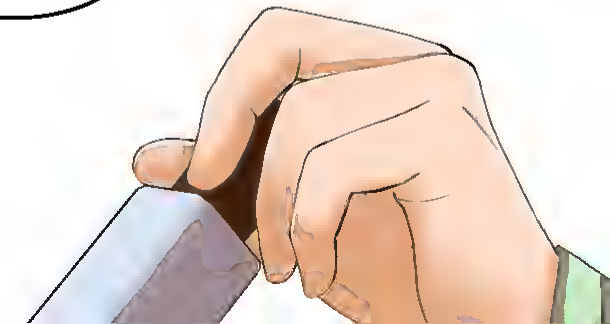
WELL... I COULD BE WRONG, BUT...


DO YOU THINK THE ADDITION OF FANEUL HERB COULD HELP? BECAUSE...
BECAUSE OF ITS MUSCLE RELAXING PROPERTIES, YES! OF COURSE!

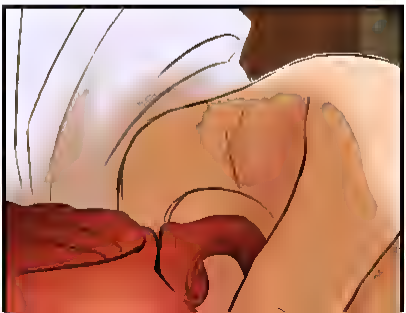


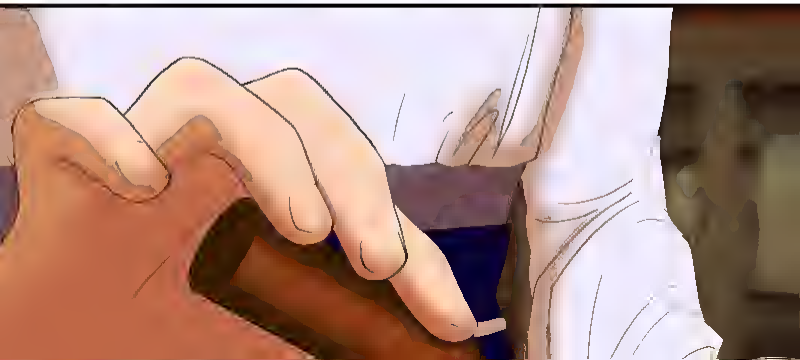
BRILLIANT WORK, MISS KIHARA. THAT SHOULD TAKE CARE OF HIS NEED NOW.

WOULD YOU ASSIST?



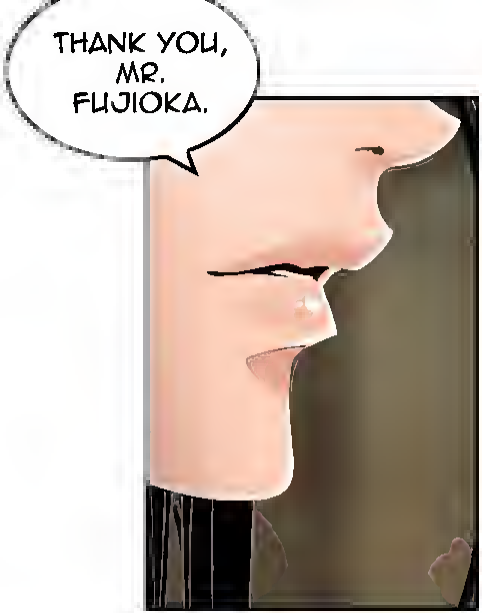
I'D BE GLAD TO.





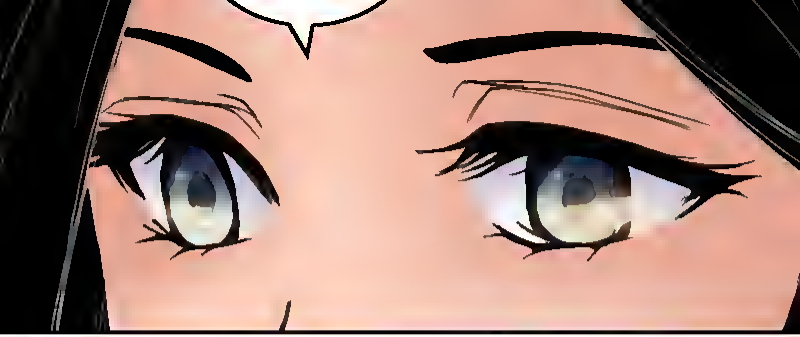
THE KING CHOSE WELL CONCERNING YOU...

YOU'RE REALLY QUITE KNOWLEDGEABLE, AND YOU'RE A FAST LEARNER.


THANK YOU, MR. FUJIOKA.

OPEN~

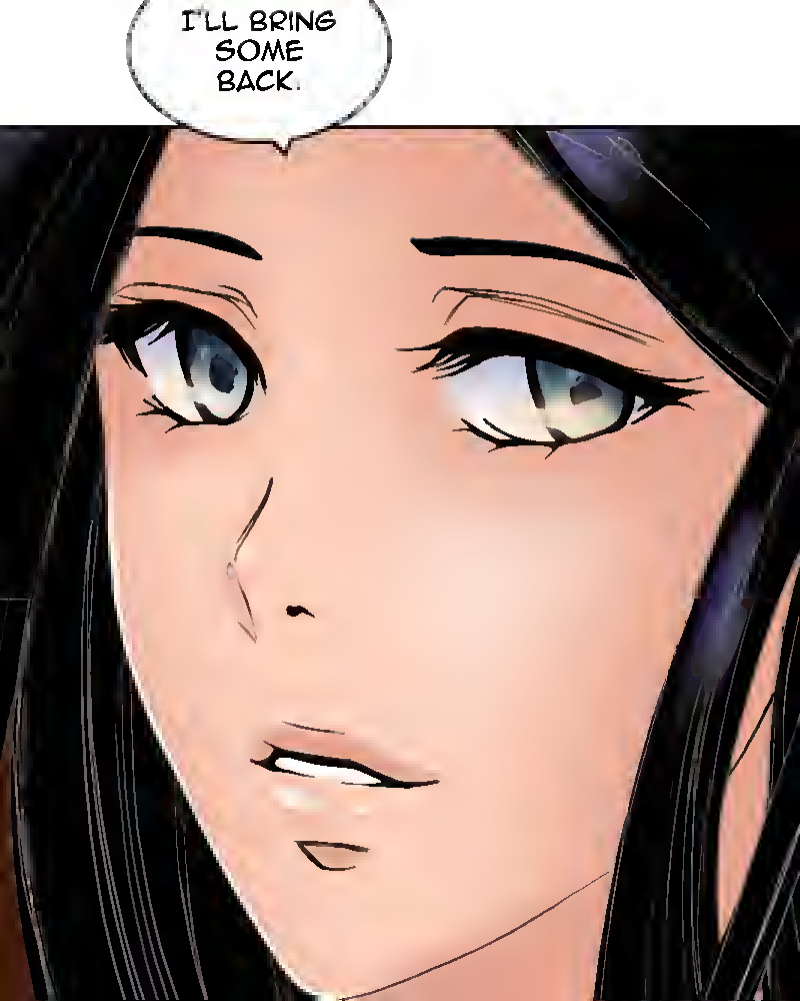
OH... HM...

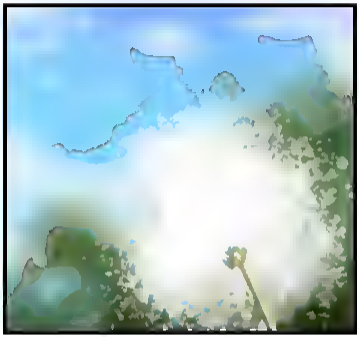


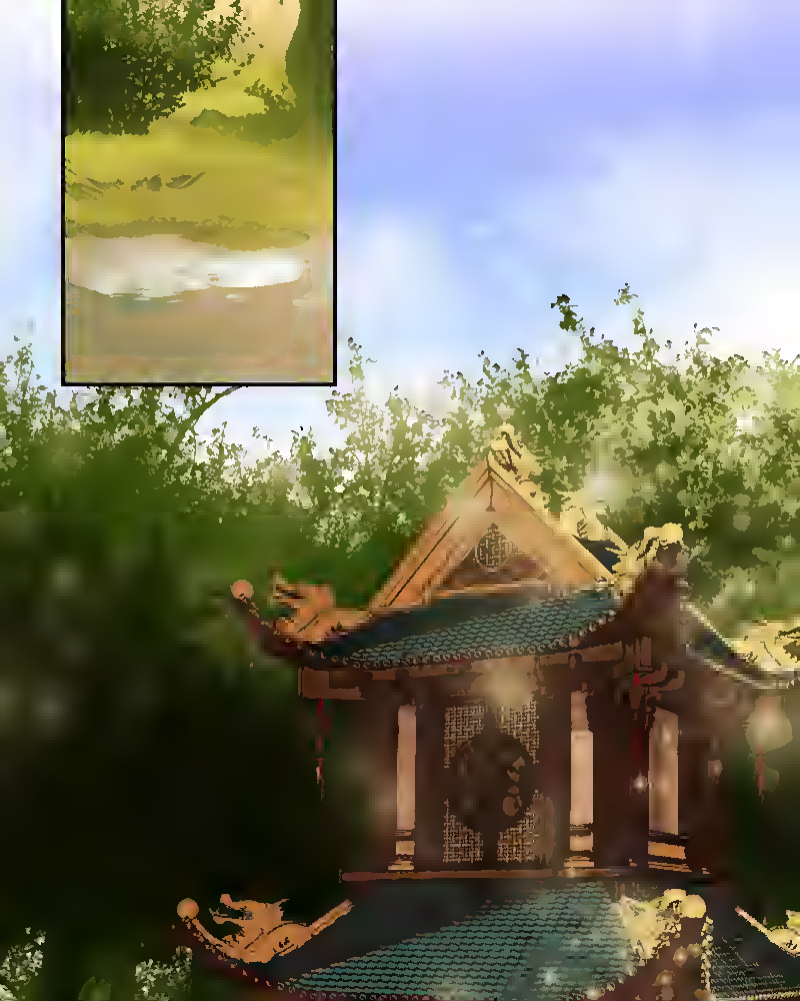
DO YOU KNOW
WHERE MORE

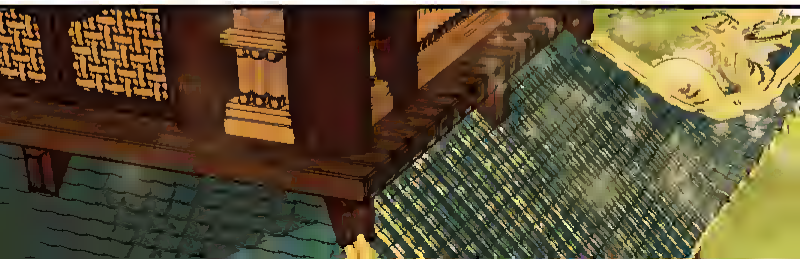
FANEUL HERB MIGHT BE?

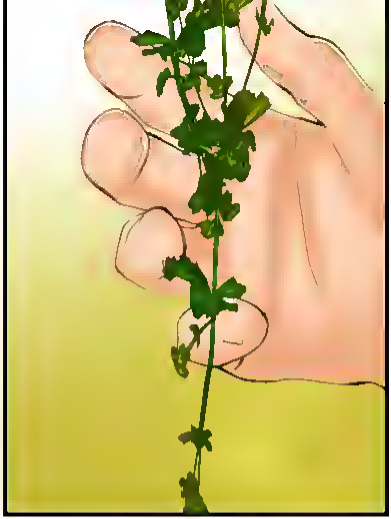
THERE SHOULD BE MORE NEAR THE LAKE, OVER BY THE PAGODA.
WE GROW SEVERAL WILD HERBS OVER THERE.
AH... I KNOW WHERE THAT IS.


I'LL BRING SOME BACK.

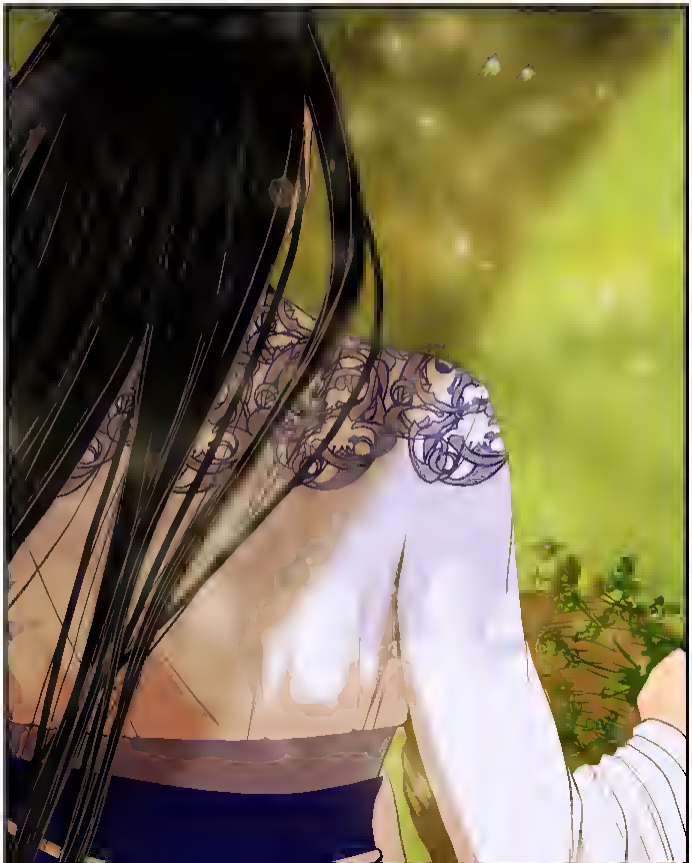




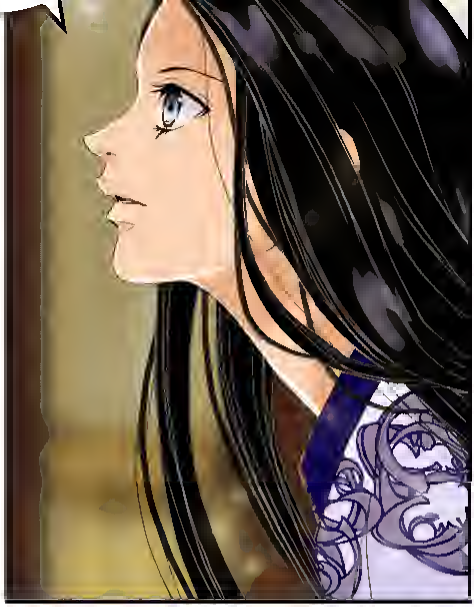


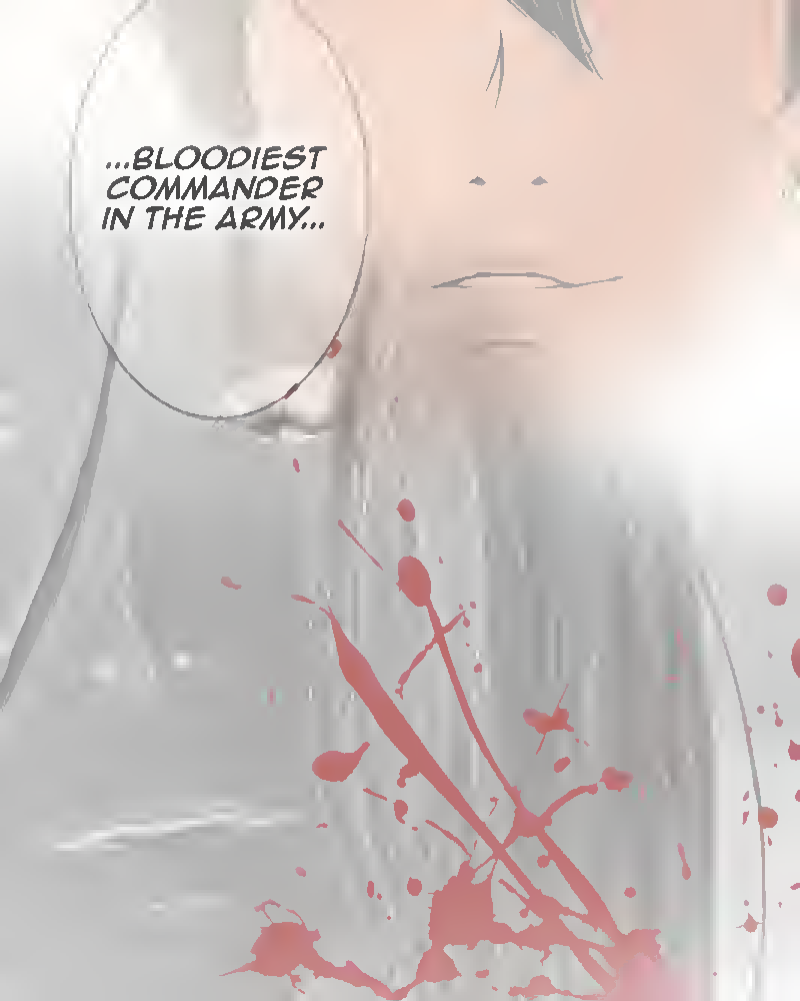


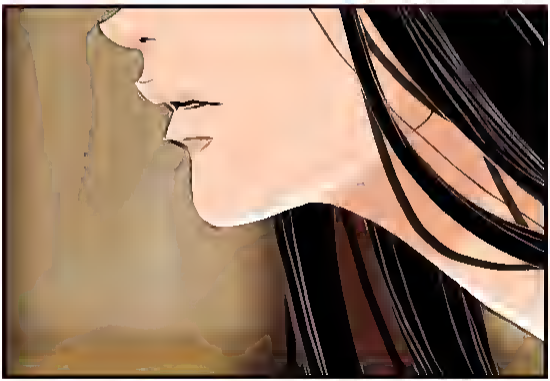
WE MEET AGAIN, MEI.



ОН...
УШИТА...




...BLOODIEST COMMANDER IN THE ARMY...

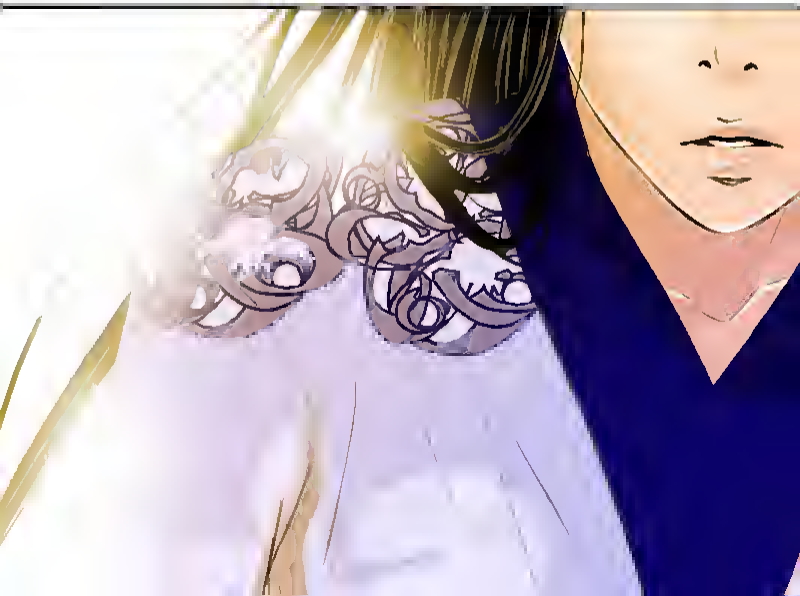


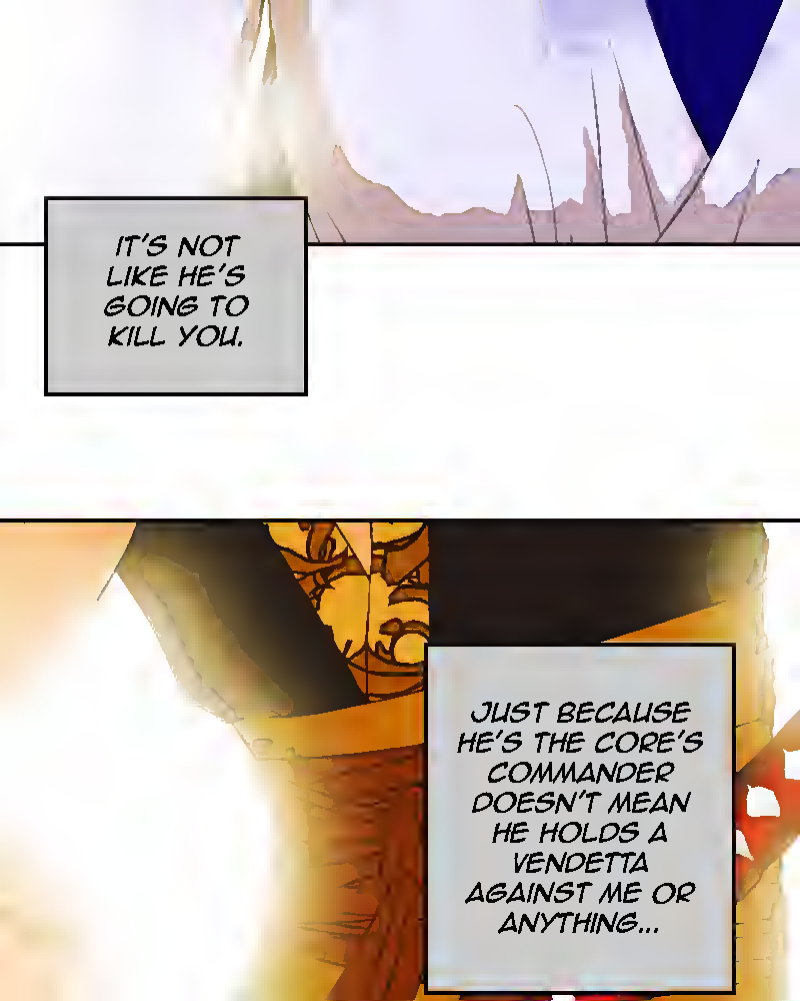
IT'S RARE FOR

IT'S RARE FOR
ME TO FIND
COMPANY
HERE.

I LIKE TO COME HERE AND RELAX.
PICKING HERBS, I SEE...?

CALM DOWN, MEI.




IT'S NOT LIKE HE'S GOING TO KILL YOU.
JUST BECAUSE HE'S THE CORE'S COMMANDER DOESN'T MEAN HE HOLDS A VENDETTA AGAINST ME OR ANYTHING...

I NEED TO STOP BEING SO PARANOID.

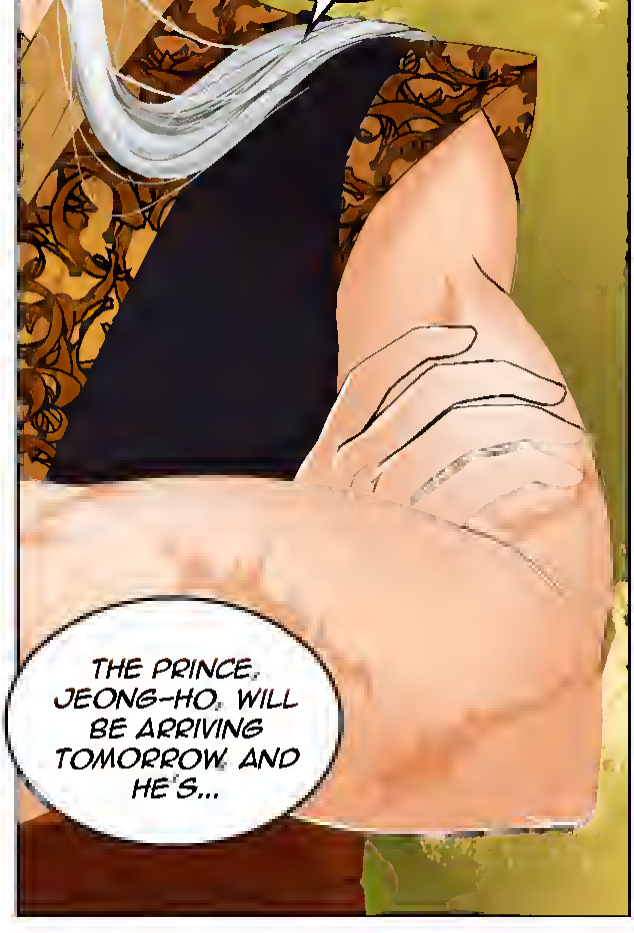
AH... YES...

I NEED TO PICK THESE FOR A SLEEPING DRAFT.

SLEEPING DRAFT? I COULD USE ONE OF THOSE.

OH? DO YOU HAVE TROUBLE SLEEPING AT NIGHT?

...I WILL, SOON...


THE PRINCE, JEONG-HO, WILL BE ARRIVING TOMORROW, AND HE'S...

...HE'S THE MOST
PRETENTIOUS
WEASEL I'VE EVER
HAD THE MISFORTUNE
OF KNOWING.

...IS HE...EVEN
ALLOWED TO
SAY THAT

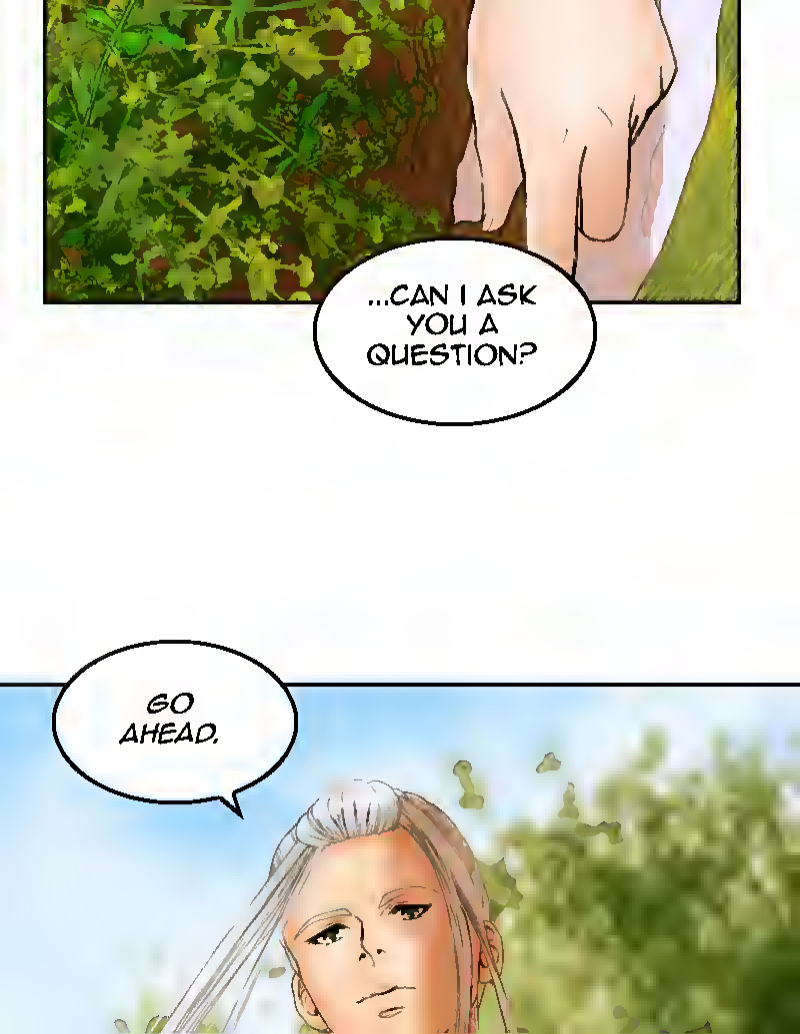
ABOUT ROYALTY?

HIS SISTER, THOUGH **DULL** AND **CONTRIVED**, IS FAR BETTER COMPANY.

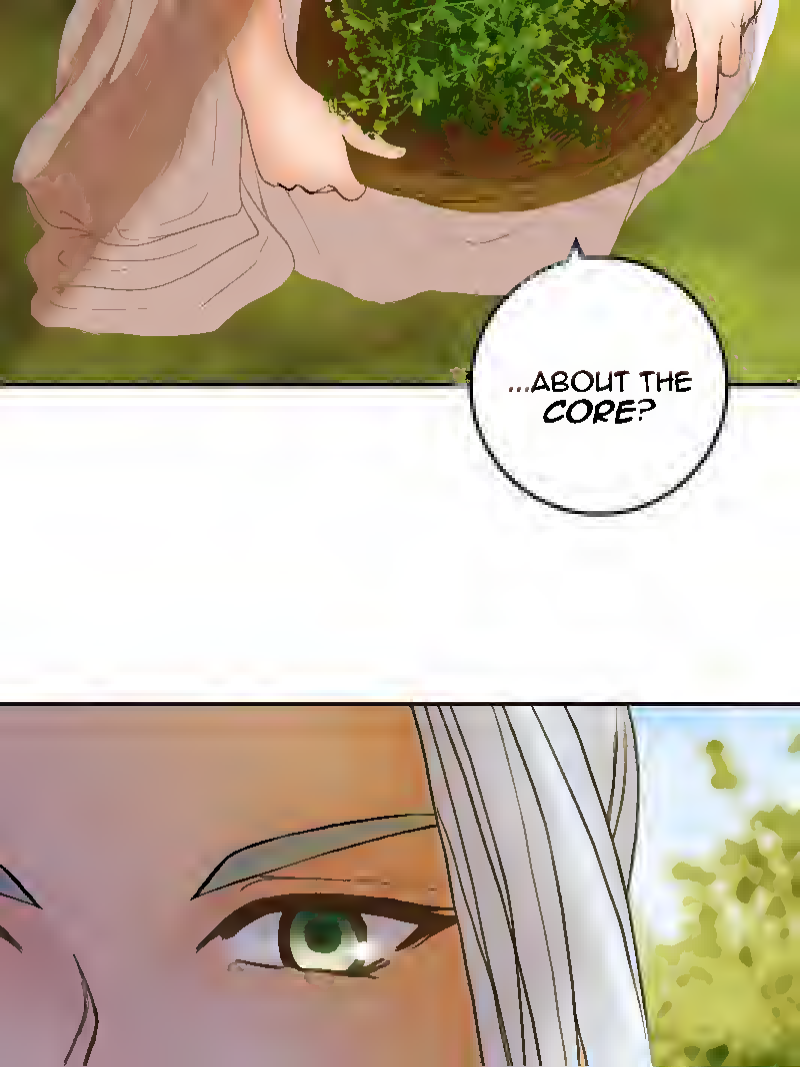
HE'S SO FLIPPANTLY INSULTING ROYALTY!

WELL, I GUESS IF YOU ARE IN COMMAND OF THE BLOOD KING'S TOP MEN, MAYBE YOU CAN GET AWAY WITH SAYING ANYTHING...

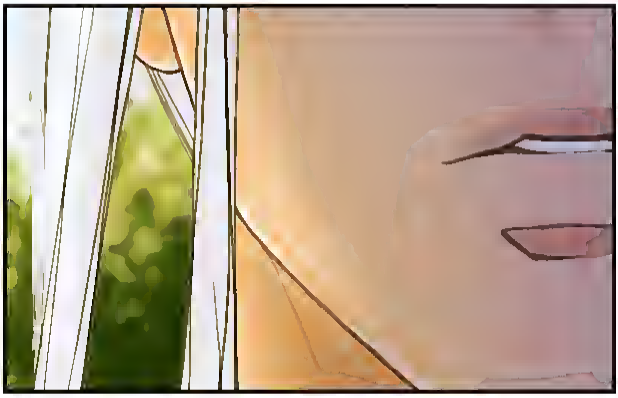
YUUTA...


...CAN I ASK YOU A QUESTION?
GO AHEAD.

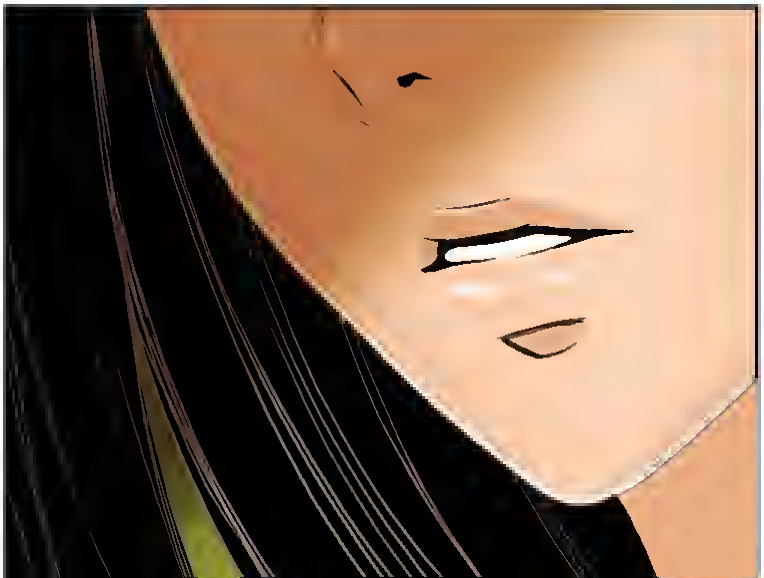
...WHAT CAN YOU TELL ME...


...ABOUT THE CORE?

...I SHOULDN'T HAVE ASKED.



WHO TOLD YOU ABOUT THAT?



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